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Labour Force Statistics ◆ February 2008

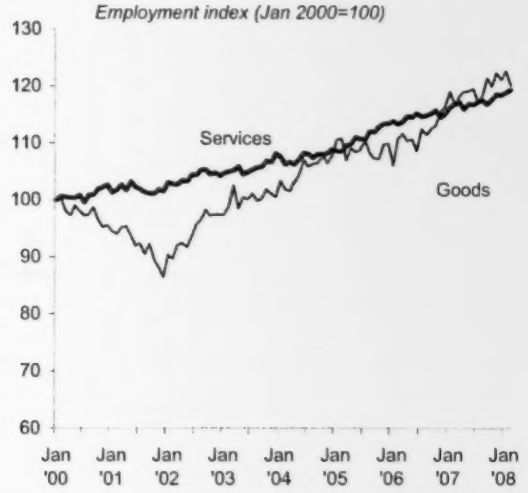
(All labour force statistics are seasonally adjusted, unless otherwise indicated)

Jobless rate remains unchanged at 4.1%

British Columbia's jobless rate remained unchanged at 4.1% in February. The lack of change in the unemployment rate was due to a marginal shrinking in the labour force offsetting a similarly small increase in employment. While there were slight gains in employment, there were significant job losses (-2.1%) among the self-employed. This was the third consecutive month where the number of self-employed workers fell.

Compared with the rest of the country, British Columbia and Saskatchewan had the second lowest unemployment in Canada at 4.1%. Only Alberta had a lower unemployment rate at 3.5% (+0.3 percentage points).

Job growth edges higher in the services sector; fewer jobs in the goods sector



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Employment in BC's goods sector dropped 2.0% in February as manufacturing once more shed jobs from its workforce (-4.5%). Other goods industries such as agriculture (-11.1%), forestry, fishing & mining (-2.4%) and utilities (-1.4%) also employed fewer workers. However, construction, the goods sector's largest employer, expanded its workforce in February, adding 2.2% more jobs.

The province's service sector recorded a second straight month of solid growth (+0.5%) despite the fact that nearly half of the industries in the sector reduced the size of their workforces. Employment in retail & wholesale trade, the sector's largest employer, increased 1.1%. Gains were also made in the public administration (+7.0%), accommodation & food services (+5.2%) and finance, insurance & real estate (+1.9%) industries. The educational services (-6.0%) and health care & social assistance (-2.2%) industries, on the other hand, employed fewer workers in February.

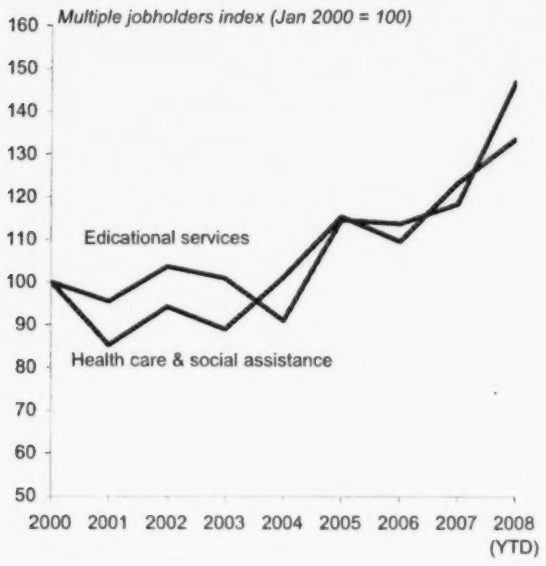
A greater number of British Columbians are holding down multiple jobs

While the number of British Columbians holding down more than one job comprises only about 6% of the total number of people employed in the province, that number has grown more than one-fifth since 2000. This is largely due to an increase in the number of 'moonlighters' in the service sector, particularly in the educational services (+46.8%) and health care & social assistance (+33.4%) industries. Overall, the service sector accounts for 86% of those having more than one job, significantly higher than its 78% share of overall employment.

Workers in the health care & social assistance industry are the most likely to have multiple jobs (10.4%). Recently, however, the proportion of multiple job holders among those employed in the educational services industry has been on the rise

increasing from a low of 7.4% in 2004 to a high of 9.4% thus far in 2008.

Multiple job holders among education and health care workers on the rise



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Workers in BC's manufacturing industry have the largest share (4%) of multiple job holders within the goods sector. The number of workers in manufacturing holding down more than one position rose from 5,600 in 2000 to 8,800 in 2007, an increase of 49.2%.

Unemployment higher in most regions

The jobless rate rose 0.8 percentage points in Northeast[1] to 3.2% (*3-month moving-average*) as most regions in BC recorded higher rates of unemployment in February. The highest jobless rate was in North Coast/Nechako (7.3%). However this was down 0.9 percentage points from the previous month. Despite the fact that employment in the Cariboo jumped 5.7% in February, the number of people either working or looking for work increased 6.3%, resulting in an increase in the unemployment rate in Cariboo to 5.8%.

Rising jobless rates in both Nanaimo (7.5%) and Victoria (3.3%) were the main contributors to an increase in the overall jobless rate for Vancouver Island/Coast to 5.3%. However, even though unemployment remained virtually unchanged in Vancouver (3.7%), the jobless rate in Mainland/Southwest inched higher to 3.7%.

In Kootenay, the unemployment rate fell to 4.4% as a result of a shrinking labour force (-5.5%), while in Thompson/Okanagan the labour force expanded (+1.1%) more than the number of jobs (+0.8%) leaving the region with a slightly higher unemployment rate of 5.3%.

The Nation

Nationally, employment growth continued through February, thrusting Canada's employment rate to a record setting 63.9%. For the second straight month, the unemployment rate had remained at a 33-year low rate of 5.8%. Ontario's labour market gathered strength as the unemployment rate shed 0.2 percentage points to 6.1% The labour market in Western Canada continues to remain robust as Alberta (3.5%), British Columbia (4.1%), Saskatchewan (4.1%) and Manitoba (4.2%) all had unemployment rates below the national average.

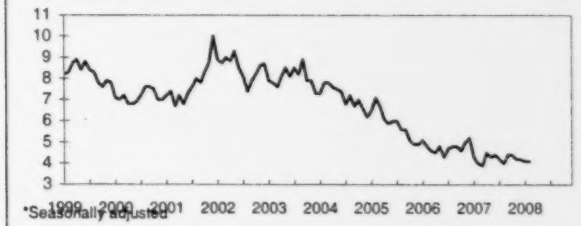
Selected Statistics	Feb-08	Jan-08	Feb-07
BC Unemployment Rate (%)	4.1	4.1	4.0
Canadian Unemployment Rate (%)	5.8	5.8	6.1
BC Employment ('000)	2,303	2,305	2,251
BC Labour Force Participation Rate (%)	66.5	66.6	66.1
Feb % change in employment relative to:	-	-0.1	2.3
Feb % change in labour force relative to:	-	0.0	2.4

[1]Rates for Northeast, as well as some cities, are BC Stats estimates, calculated using data supplied by Statistic Canada.

1 Summary for February 2008--Actual and Seasonally Adjusted

	Current February 2008		Previous Month January 2008		One Year Ago February 2007		Change from January 2008		Change from February 2007	
	Actual	S.A.	Actual	S.A.	Actual	S.A.	Actual	S.A.	Actual	S.A.
British Columbia										
Working Age Population ('000)	3,614.1		3,609.5		3,547.4		0.1%		1.9%	
Labour Force ('000)	2,380.8	2,402.5	2,381.4	2,402.9	2,324.3	2,345.8	0.0%	0.0%	2.4%	2.4%
Employment ('000)	2,275.1	2,303.2	2,274.3	2,305.2	2,221.2	2,251.1	0.0%	-0.1%	2.4%	2.3%
Unemployment ('000)	105.7	99.3	107.1	97.7	103.1	94.7	-1.3%	1.6%	2.5%	4.9%
Employment Rate[1]	63.0%	63.7%	63.0%	63.9%	62.6%	63.5%				
Unemployment Rate	4.4%	4.1%	4.5%	4.1%	4.4%	4.0%				
Participation Rate	65.9%	66.5%	66.0%	66.6%	65.5%	66.1%				
Canada										
Working Age Population ('000)	26,774.8		26,751.8		26,415.0		0.1%		1.4%	
Labour Force ('000)	17,908.6	18,158.9	17,834.0	18,109.5	17,574.8	17,827.4	0.4%	0.3%	1.9%	1.9%
Employment ('000)	16,810.5	17,102.2	16,710.8	17,058.9	16,439.5	16,741.2	0.6%	0.3%	2.3%	2.2%
Unemployment ('000)	1,098.2	1,056.6	1,123.2	1,050.6	1,135.3	1,086.3	-2.2%	0.6%	-3.3%	-2.7%
Employment Rate[1]	62.8%	63.9%	62.5%	63.8%	62.2%	63.4%				
Unemployment Rate	6.1%	5.8%	6.3%	5.8%	6.5%	6.1%				
Participation Rate	66.9%	67.8%	66.7%	67.7%	66.5%	67.5%				

BC Unemployment Rate*:



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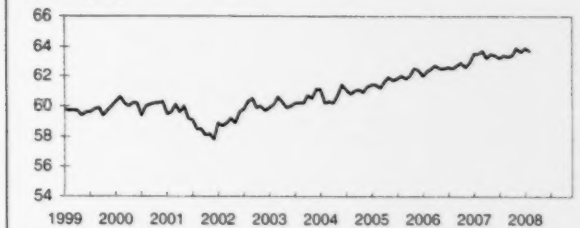

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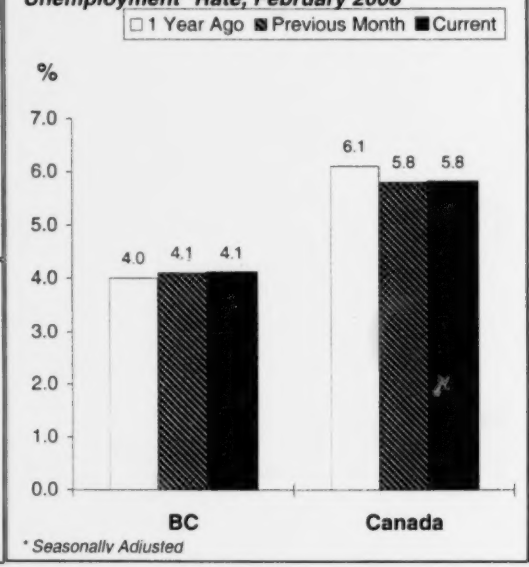
Unemployment* Rate, February 2008



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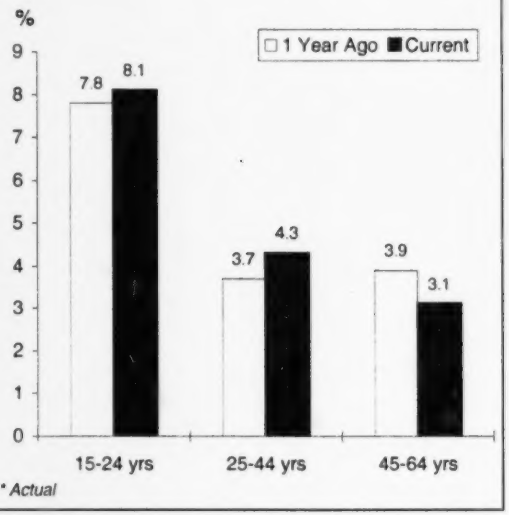
BC Unemployment* Rates by Age, February 2008



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[1] Employment rate is calculated as employment as a percent of the working age population.

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2 BC Monthly Labour Force Data

	Actual								Seasonally Adjusted							
	Labour Force		Employed		Unemployed		Unemployment Rate	Participation Rate	Labour Force		Employed		Unemployed		Unemployment Rate	Participation Rate
	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	(%)	(%)	('000)	% Chg*	('000)	% Chg*	('000)	% Chg*	(%)	(%)
1998	2,038.3		1,858.4		179.9		8.8	64.9								
1999	2,064.8	1.3	1,894.4	1.9	170.4	-5.3	8.3	65.1								
2000	2,079.9	0.7	1,931.3	1.9	148.6	-12.8	7.1	64.8								
2001	2,082.6	0.1	1,921.6	-0.5	161.1	8.4	7.7	64.0								
2002	2,147.6	3.1	1,965.0	2.3	182.6	13.3	8.5	65.1								
2003	2,190.7	2.0	2,014.7	2.5	176.0	-3.6	8.0	65.6								
2004	2,221.9	1.4	2,062.7	2.4	159.2	-9.5	7.2	65.5								
2005	2,263.4	1.9	2,130.5	3.3	132.9	-16.5	5.9	65.6								
2006	2,305.1	1.8	2,195.5	3.1	109.6	-17.5	4.8	65.7								
2007	2,366.4	2.7	2,266.3	3.2	100.0	-8.8	4.2	66.3								
2007 Jan	2,325.4	3.2	2,213.4	4.3	112.0	-13.8	4.8	65.6	2,352.1		2,251.8		100.3		4.3	66.4
Feb	2,324.3	2.8	2,221.2	3.7	103.1	-13.0	4.4	65.5	2,345.8	-0.3	2,251.1	0.0	94.7	-5.6	4.0	66.1
Mar	2,336.3	3.0	2,245.8	3.7	90.5	-12.1	3.9	65.8	2,355.1	0.4	2,262.7	0.5	92.4	-2.4	3.9	66.3
Apr	2,333.3	2.7	2,225.9	2.6	107.4	3.3	4.6	65.6	2,353.6	-0.1	2,247.1	-0.7	106.5	15.3	4.5	66.2
May	2,378.7	2.7	2,274.6	3.3	104.1	-8.0	4.4	66.8	2,362.8	0.4	2,261.7	0.6	101.1	-5.1	4.3	66.3
Jun	2,392.7	3.3	2,294.9	3.1	97.7	7.5	4.1	67.1	2,365.5	0.1	2,260.9	0.0	104.6	3.5	4.4	66.3
Jul	2,392.8	1.9	2,287.6	2.7	105.2	-11.8	4.4	67.0	2,356.9	-0.4	2,259.0	-0.1	97.9	-6.4	4.2	66.0
Aug	2,399.6	2.1	2,291.3	3.1	108.4	-14.8	4.5	67.1	2,361.4	0.2	2,267.1	0.4	94.3	-3.7	4.0	66.0
Sep	2,367.3	2.4	2,272.4	2.8	95.0	-5.8	4.0	66.0	2,373.8	0.5	2,270.0	0.1	103.7	10.0	4.4	66.2
Oct	2,378.0	2.3	2,283.9	2.5	94.1	-2.9	4.0	66.2	2,379.4	0.2	2,275.5	0.2	103.9	0.2	4.4	66.3
Nov	2,390.5	3.3	2,297.8	4.0	92.6	-12.5	3.9	66.4	2,399.2	0.8	2,298.8	1.0	100.4	-3.4	4.2	66.7
Dec	2,377.5	2.2	2,287.3	3.1	90.2	-14.9	3.8	66.0	2,393.5	-0.2	2,292.9	-0.3	100.6	0.2	4.2	66.4
2008 Jan	2,381.4	2.4	2,274.3	2.8	107.1	-4.4	4.5	66.0	2,402.9	0.4	2,305.2	0.5	97.7	-2.9	4.1	66.6
Feb	2,380.8	2.4	2,275.1	2.4	105.7	2.5	4.4	65.9	2,402.5	0.0	2,303.2	-0.1	99.3	1.6	4.1	66.5
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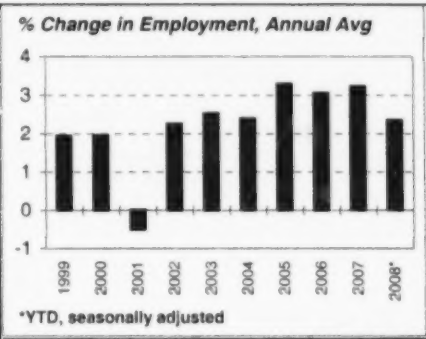
Average:																
Jan-Feb07	2,324.9		2,217.3		107.6		4.6	65.6	2,349.0		2,251.5		97.5		4.2	66.3
Jan-Feb08	2,381.1		2,274.7		106.4		4.5	66.0	2,402.7		2,304.2		98.5		4.1	66.6
% Change	2.4		2.6		-1.1				2.3		2.3		1.0			



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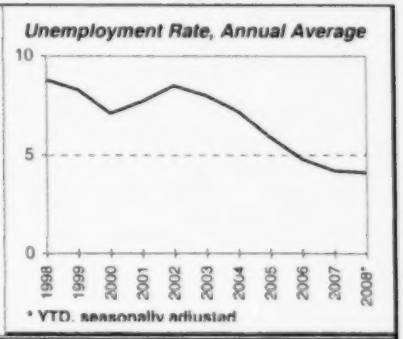

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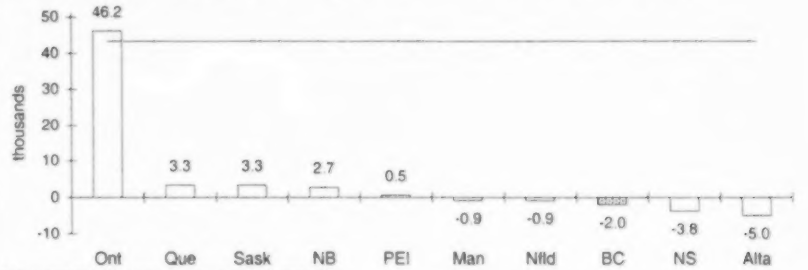
3a Employment ('000) by Province

	Actual										
	BC	Alta	Sask	Man	Ont	Que	NB	NS	PEI	Nfld	CAN
1998	1,858.4	1,509.9	470.5	534.2	5,453.3	3,257.5	315.2	395.3	59.6	192.4	14,046.2
1999	1,894.4	1,544.0	471.6	541.4	5,636.7	3,328.1	325.5	404.0	60.2	201.0	14,406.7
2000	1,931.3	1,584.0	473.5	552.3	5,817.1	3,402.8	331.2	411.4	62.7	198.0	14,764.2
2001	1,921.6	1,630.9	460.3	554.3	5,926.2	3,440.2	330.1	415.2	63.6	203.8	14,946.2
2002	1,965.0	1,670.8	468.3	567.2	6,031.4	3,569.9	343.1	422.9	64.7	207.2	15,310.4
2003	2,014.7	1,716.7	476.1	570.3	6,213.2	3,628.8	343.1	431.2	66.1	212.3	15,672.3
2004	2,062.7	1,757.5	479.7	576.6	6,316.5	3,680.5	350.1	442.2	66.9	214.3	15,947.0
2005	2,130.5	1,784.4	483.5	580.3	6,397.7	3,717.3	350.5	443.1	68.2	214.1	16,169.7
2006	2,195.5	1,870.7	491.6	587.0	6,492.7	3,765.4	355.4	441.8	68.6	215.7	16,484.3
2007	2,266.3	1,959.4	501.8	596.5	6,593.8	3,851.7	362.8	447.6	69.3	217.1	16,866.4

Employment Change*('000), February 2008 *Line represents Canada at 43.3*



** Current month over previous month (saadj)*

	Seasonally Adjusted										
	BC	Alta	Sask	Man	Ont	Que	NB	NS	PEI	Nfld	CAN
2007 Jan	2,213.4	1,901.9	493.4	579.8	6,437.2	3,701.1	342.4	432.4	64.8	198.6	16,364.9
Feb	2,221.2	1,916.7	492.5	582.6	6,460.0	3,720.3	344.7	433.6	64.8	203.0	16,439.5
Mar	2,245.8	1,921.3	494.7	585.8	6,463.8	3,753.5	345.2	433.2	65.4	203.6	16,512.5
Apr	2,225.9	1,927.9	494.4	587.0	6,489.2	3,785.4	349.9	442.5	65.8	207.7	16,575.7
May	2,274.6	1,964.0	509.0	604.5	6,634.0	3,862.0	367.3	454.6	71.8	222.2	16,963.9
Jun	2,294.9	1,995.2	509.9	608.2	6,685.9	3,954.6	382.8	458.9	74.4	230.6	17,195.5
Jul	2,287.6	2,000.4	508.6	603.1	6,688.3	3,978.8	380.1	457.6	73.6	236.5	17,214.7
Aug	2,291.3	1,995.0	504.5	603.3	6,699.2	3,938.8	378.8	456.6	75.1	230.9	17,173.5
Sep	2,272.4	1,974.0	504.4	599.4	6,603.6	3,897.5	369.5	448.1	71.8	224.4	16,965.2
Oct	2,283.9	1,971.9	504.5	604.2	6,681.2	3,895.1	365.6	454.0	71.5	219.8	17,051.9
Nov	2,297.8	1,962.7	505.9	603.9	6,656.9	3,885.4	366.8	448.4	66.7	215.3	17,009.9
Dec	2,287.3	1,982.3	499.1	595.9	6,626.0	3,848.0	360.6	451.1	66.4	213.0	16,929.8
2008 Jan	2,274.3	1,970.6	496.0	591.7	6,533.8	3,785.9	350.1	436.8	65.2	206.5	16,710.8
Feb	2,275.1	1,973.6	499.8	593.3	6,595.7	3,813.6	353.8	432.2	65.6	207.8	16,810.5
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Jan-Feb07	2,217.3	1,909.3	493.0	581.2	6,448.6	3,710.7	343.6	433.0	64.8	200.8	16,402.2
Jan-Feb08	2,274.7	1,972.1	497.9	592.5	6,564.8	3,799.8	352.0	434.5	65.4	207.2	16,760.7
% Change	2.6	3.3	1.0	1.9	1.8	2.4	2.4	0.3	0.9	3.2	2.2
	2.3	3.2	0.9	1.9	1.7	2.4	2.2	0.3	0.4	2.6	2.1

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3b Employment Growth by Province (%)

Actual

	BC	Alta	Sask	Man	Ont	Que	NB	NS	PEI	Nfld	CAN
1998	-0.1	4.0	0.9	1.6	3.1	2.7	2.0	3.5	1.4	2.2	2.5
1999	1.9	2.3	0.2	1.3	3.4	2.2	3.3	2.2	1.0	4.5	2.6
2000	1.9	2.6	0.4	2.0	3.2	2.2	1.8	1.8	4.2	-1.5	2.5
2001	-0.5	3.0	-2.8	0.4	1.9	1.1	-0.3	0.9	1.4	2.9	1.2
2002	2.3	2.4	1.7	2.3	1.8	3.8	3.9	1.9	1.7	1.7	2.4
2003	2.5	2.7	1.7	0.5	3.0	1.6	0.0	2.0	2.2	2.5	2.4
2004	2.4	2.4	0.8	1.1	1.7	1.4	2.0	2.6	1.2	0.9	1.8
2005	3.3	1.5	0.8	0.6	1.3	1.0	0.1	0.2	1.9	-0.1	1.4
2006	3.1	4.8	1.7	1.2	1.5	1.3	1.4	-0.3	0.6	0.7	1.9
2007	3.2	4.7	2.1	1.6	1.6	2.3	2.1	1.3	1.0	0.6	2.3
2007 Jan	4.3	6.8	4.8	1.0	1.6	1.7	-0.1	1.7	2.9	2.4	2.6
Feb	3.7	5.7	4.4	0.9	1.9	1.4	0.7	2.3	1.9	1.6	2.5
Mar	3.7	5.3	4.3	2.0	1.6	2.1	0.5	1.0	3.5	2.6	2.5
Apr	2.6	5.8	3.0	0.8	1.1	3.0	1.3	1.4	1.5	2.5	2.3
May	3.3	3.4	2.6	1.3	0.8	1.9	0.6	0.6	-1.2	1.0	1.7
Jun	3.1	4.5	1.3	1.5	0.9	2.5	2.5	1.2	0.1	-0.1	2.0
Jul	2.7	5.4	0.8	1.7	1.2	2.3	1.9	1.0	0.1	-0.3	2.1
Aug	3.1	4.7	0.6	1.4	1.5	2.5	3.3	0.7	0.8	0.3	2.3
Sep	2.8	4.7	1.1	1.6	2.0	2.3	3.5	1.1	0.8	-0.4	2.4
Oct	2.5	3.7	0.6	2.4	2.7	2.4	2.8	2.0	3.3	-0.7	2.6
Nov	4.0	2.8	1.6	3.0	2.1	2.9	4.6	1.2	-1.0	-0.4	2.6
Dec	3.1	4.4	0.4	1.8	1.3	2.4	3.3	1.5	0.6	0.5	2.1
2008 Jan	2.8	3.6	0.5	2.1	1.5	2.3	2.2	1.0	0.6	4.0	2.1
Feb	2.4	3.0	1.5	1.8	2.1	2.5	2.6	-0.3	1.2	2.4	2.3
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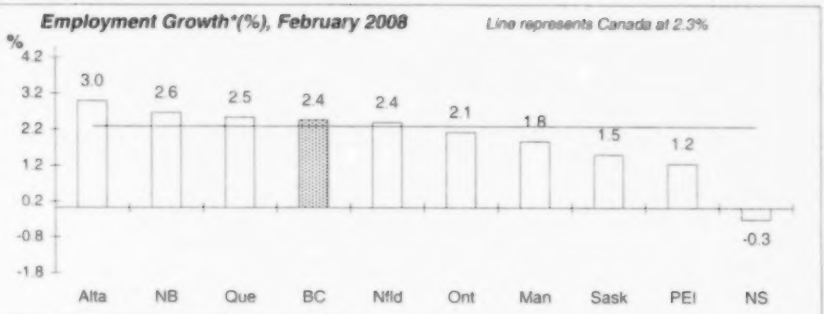


** Month over same month previous year (unadjusted)*

Seasonally Adjusted

	BC	Alta	Sask	Man	Ont	Que	NB	NS	PEI	Nfld	CAN
2007 Jan	1.3	1.2	0.2	0.4	0.0	0.3	0.6	0.6	2.2	-1.1	0.4
Feb	0.0	0.2	-0.3	0.1	0.2	0.0	0.7	0.4	-0.4	1.4	0.1
Mar	0.5	0.1	0.2	0.5	0.1	0.7	0.0	-0.7	0.0	-0.4	0.3
Apr	-0.7	0.6	-0.3	-0.1	-0.2	0.3	0.8	0.6	0.1	0.5	0.0
May	0.6	-0.3	-0.3	0.4	0.2	0.0	-0.5	-0.8	-1.4	-0.1	0.1
Jun	0.0	0.7	-0.5	0.2	0.1	0.6	1.3	0.0	0.1	-1.2	0.3
Jul	-0.1	0.5	0.0	-0.4	0.2	-0.1	-0.9	-0.5	-0.4	-0.4	0.0
Aug	0.4	0.0	-0.2	0.3	0.1	0.0	0.3	-0.2	0.3	1.1	0.1
Sep	0.1	0.3	1.3	0.4	0.4	0.1	0.1	0.8	0.3	0.0	0.3
Oct	0.2	0.2	0.0	0.5	0.5	0.3	0.1	1.0	1.3	-0.1	0.4
Nov	1.0	-0.3	0.7	0.5	-0.2	0.3	1.3	-0.3	-2.7	0.1	0.1
Dec	-0.3	1.1	-0.4	-0.9	-0.1	-0.2	-0.7	0.6	1.5	0.9	0.0
2008 Jan	0.5	0.3	0.2	0.5	0.2	0.2	-0.4	0.0	1.3	2.0	0.3
Feb	-0.1	-0.3	0.7	-0.1	0.7	0.1	0.7	-0.8	0.7	-0.4	0.3

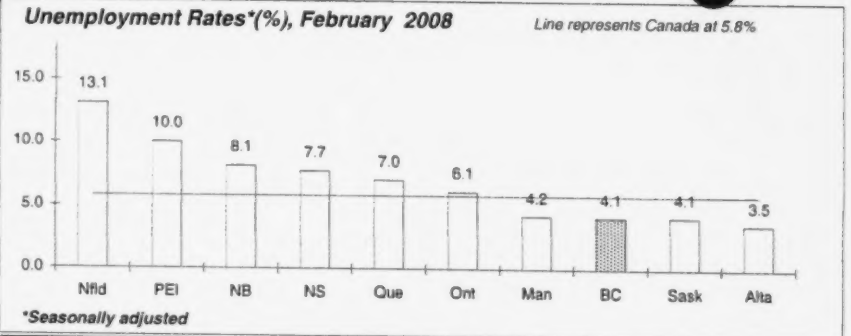
Note: growth rates for "actual" data are calculated as month over same month previous year. For seasonally adjusted data, growth rates are calculated as month over previous month.

Produced by: **BC Stats**

Source: ***Statistics Canada***

4a Provincial Unemployment Rates (%)

	Actual										
	BC	Alta	Sask	Man	Ont	Que	NB	NS	PEI	Nfld	CAN
1998	8.8	5.6	5.8	5.6	7.2	10.3	12.2	10.5	13.9	17.9	8.3
1999	8.3	5.7	6.1	5.6	6.3	9.3	10.2	9.6	14.3	16.9	7.6
2000	7.1	5.0	5.1	5.0	5.8	8.5	10.0	9.1	12.1	16.7	6.8
2001	7.7	4.6	5.8	5.1	6.3	8.8	11.1	9.7	11.9	16.1	7.2
2002	8.5	5.3	5.7	5.1	7.1	8.6	10.2	9.6	12.0	16.7	7.7
2003	8.0	5.1	5.6	5.0	6.9	9.1	10.3	9.1	11.0	16.5	7.6
2004	7.2	4.6	5.3	5.3	6.8	8.5	9.8	8.8	11.3	15.7	7.2
2005	5.9	3.9	5.1	4.8	6.6	8.3	9.7	8.4	10.8	15.2	6.8
2006	4.8	3.4	4.7	4.3	6.3	8.0	8.8	7.9	11.0	14.8	6.3
2007	4.2	3.5	4.2	4.4	6.4	7.2	7.5	8.0	10.3	13.6	6.0



	Seasonally Adjusted										
	BC	Alta	Sask	Man	Ont	Que	NB	NS	PEI	Nfld	CAN
2007 Jan	4.8	3.7	4.6	5.1	6.6	8.8	8.8	8.9	13.9	18.1	6.7
Feb	4.4	3.6	4.2	4.6	6.4	8.6	7.5	8.5	12.9	15.8	6.5
Mar	3.9	3.4	4.2	4.5	7.0	8.2	8.3	9.1	12.8	16.1	6.5
Apr	4.6	3.5	4.3	5.2	6.6	7.6	8.8	8.9	13.0	15.5	6.3
May	4.4	3.8	4.3	4.8	6.5	6.9	8.2	8.1	8.8	13.7	6.1
Jun	4.1	3.4	3.9	3.9	6.3	6.1	5.8	7.4	7.1	11.5	5.6
Jul	4.4	3.4	4.8	4.3	7.3	6.4	7.1	8.5	9.0	11.0	6.2
Aug	4.5	3.9	5.5	4.9	7.0	7.0	7.9	8.4	7.9	12.8	6.4
Sep	4.0	3.3	3.4	3.9	5.9	6.4	7.2	7.3	7.9	11.4	5.5
Oct	4.0	3.2	3.7	3.5	5.5	6.3	6.9	6.7	7.4	12.2	5.3
Nov	3.9	3.7	3.7	3.9	5.7	7.0	6.6	7.8	11.8	12.8	5.6
Dec	3.8	3.1	3.8	4.1	5.8	7.0	7.8	6.8	11.9	12.5	5.6
2008 Jan	4.5	3.6	4.5	4.1	6.5	7.8	9.3	8.3	14.0	14.6	6.3
Feb	4.4	3.6	4.3	4.5	6.1	7.7	8.9	8.6	11.8	14.6	6.1
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Average:											
Jan-Feb07	4.6	3.7	4.4	4.9	6.5	8.7	8.2	8.7	13.4	17.0	6.6
Jan-Feb08	4.5	3.6	4.4	4.3	6.3	7.8	9.1	8.5	12.9	14.6	6.2

	4.3	3.3	4.1	4.6	6.5	7.6	7.9	7.9	10.5	15.2	6.2
	4.0	3.5	4.0	4.3	6.3	7.8	6.9	7.5	10.3	14.1	6.1
	3.9	3.6	3.9	4.3	6.6	7.5	7.5	8.0	10.4	14.1	6.1
	4.5	3.4	4.1	4.8	6.6	7.2	7.5	8.2	9.7	13.2	6.2
	4.3	3.8	4.5	5.2	6.3	7.1	7.8	8.0	10.2	12.8	6.0
	4.4	3.7	4.4	4.5	6.6	6.9	6.9	8.1	10.5	13.1	6.1
	4.2	3.4	4.8	4.2	6.6	7.0	7.4	8.7	10.5	13.6	6.0
	4.0	3.6	4.8	4.2	6.4	7.2	7.8	8.9	10.4	13.7	6.0
	4.4	3.6	3.9	4.2	6.2	6.9	8.3	7.9	10.6	13.5	5.9
	4.4	3.4	4.3	4.1	6.1	7.0	7.7	7.6	8.8	13.6	5.8
	4.2	3.6	4.0	4.2	6.4	7.0	7.2	7.9	11.4	13.2	5.9
	4.2	3.2	4.0	4.2	6.5	7.0	7.8	7.8	10.7	12.5	6.0
	4.1	3.2	3.9	3.8	6.3	6.8	8.2	7.4	10.6	12.2	5.8
	4.1	3.5	4.1	4.2	6.1	7.0	8.1	7.7	10.0	13.1	5.8
	4.2	3.4	4.1	4.5	6.4	7.7	7.4	7.7	10.4	14.7	6.2
	4.1	3.4	4.0	4.0	6.2	6.9	8.2	7.6	10.3	12.7	5.8

Produced by: **BC Stats**

Source: Statistics Canada

4b Provincial Employment Rates (%)

	Actual										
	BC	Alta	Sask	Man	Ont	Que	NB	NS	PEI	Nfld	CAN
1998	59.2	68.5	62.7	63.2	61.2	56.1	53.1	54.1	56.4	44.4	59.7
1999	59.7	68.5	62.8	63.7	62.3	56.9	54.6	55.0	56.6	46.6	60.6
2000	60.2	68.6	63.3	64.5	63.2	57.8	55.4	55.7	58.7	46.1	61.3
2001	59.0	69.0	61.8	64.4	63.0	57.9	55.0	55.9	59.0	47.7	61.1
2002	59.6	69.1	63.1	65.5	62.9	59.5	57.0	56.6	59.5	48.5	61.7
2003	60.3	69.8	64.0	65.3	63.8	60.0	56.7	57.3	60.2	49.5	62.4
2004	60.9	70.1	64.3	65.4	63.8	60.2	57.6	58.4	60.3	49.8	62.7
2005	61.8	69.8	64.6	65.3	63.5	60.1	57.4	58.2	61.1	49.8	62.7
2006	62.5	70.8	65.9	65.8	63.5	60.2	58.1	57.9	61.1	50.4	63.0
2007	63.5	71.5	66.8	66.4	63.6	61.0	59.2	58.6	61.2	51.2	63.5
2007 Jan	62.5	70.4	66.1	64.8	62.5	58.9	56.0	56.6	57.4	46.6	62.0
Feb	62.6	70.7	65.9	65.1	62.7	59.1	56.3	56.8	57.4	47.7	62.2
Mar	63.2	70.7	66.1	65.4	62.6	59.6	56.4	56.7	58.0	47.8	62.4
Apr	62.6	70.8	66.0	65.5	62.8	60.1	57.1	57.9	58.3	48.9	62.6
May	63.9	71.9	67.9	67.3	64.1	61.2	60.0	59.5	63.5	52.4	64.0
Jun	64.3	72.8	68.0	67.7	64.6	62.6	62.5	60.1	65.7	54.5	64.8
Jul	64.0	72.8	67.7	67.1	64.5	63.0	62.0	59.9	64.9	55.9	64.8
Aug	64.0	72.4	67.1	67.0	64.5	62.3	61.7	59.7	66.2	54.6	64.6
Sep	63.4	71.5	66.9	66.6	63.6	61.6	60.2	58.6	63.2	53.0	63.7
Oct	63.6	71.3	66.8	67.0	64.2	61.5	59.5	59.3	62.9	51.9	64.0
Nov	63.9	70.9	66.9	66.9	63.9	61.3	59.6	58.6	58.7	50.8	63.7
Dec	63.5	71.6	65.8	66.0	63.6	60.7	58.6	58.9	58.3	50.2	63.4
2008 Jan	63.0	71.1	65.3	65.4	62.6	59.7	56.9	57.0	57.3	48.6	62.5
Feb	63.0	71.1	65.7	65.6	63.1	60.1	57.4	56.4	57.6	48.9	62.8
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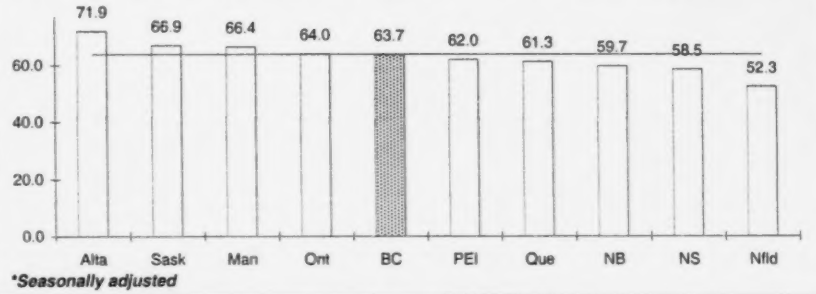
Average:											
Jan-Feb07	62.6	70.6	66.0	65.0	62.6	59.0	56.2	56.7	57.4	47.2	62.1
Jan-Feb08	63.0	71.1	65.5	65.5	62.9	59.9	57.2	56.7	57.5	48.8	62.7

Employment Rates*(%), February 2008 *Line represents Canada at 63.9%*



**Seasonally adjusted*

Seasonally Adjusted											
	BC	Alta	Sask	Man	Ont	Que	NB	NS	PEI	Nfld	CAN
2007 Jan	63.5	71.5	67.4	66.0	63.6	60.5	58.4	58.7	62.2	50.6	63.4
Feb	63.5	71.5	67.2	66.1	63.6	60.4	58.8	58.9	62.0	51.3	63.4
Mar	63.7	71.4	67.3	66.3	63.7	60.8	58.8	58.5	62.0	51.1	63.5
Apr	63.2	71.6	67.0	66.1	63.4	60.9	59.2	58.9	62.0	51.4	63.4
May	63.5	71.2	66.8	66.4	63.5	60.9	58.9	58.4	61.1	51.5	63.4
Jun	63.4	71.4	66.4	66.5	63.5	61.2	59.7	58.4	61.0	50.9	63.5
Jul	63.2	71.6	66.3	66.1	63.6	61.1	59.1	58.0	60.7	50.7	63.4
Aug	63.4	71.4	66.0	66.3	63.5	61.1	59.2	57.9	60.8	51.3	63.4
Sep	63.3	71.5	66.8	66.5	63.7	61.1	59.2	58.3	60.9	51.3	63.6
Oct	63.4	71.5	66.6	66.8	64.0	61.3	59.3	58.9	61.7	51.2	63.7
Nov	63.9	71.3	66.9	67.0	63.7	61.4	60.0	58.8	60.0	51.1	63.7
Dec	63.6	72.0	66.6	66.3	63.6	61.3	59.6	59.1	60.8	51.5	63.7
2008 Jan	63.9	72.1	66.6	66.6	63.6	61.3	59.3	59.0	61.6	52.5	63.8
Feb	63.7	71.9	66.9	66.4	64.0	61.3	59.7	58.5	62.0	52.3	63.9
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Average:											
Jan-Feb07	63.5	71.5	67.3	66.1	63.6	60.5	58.6	58.8	62.1	51.0	63.4
Jan-Feb08	63.8	72.0	66.8	66.5	63.8	61.3	59.5	58.8	61.8	52.4	63.9

5a BC Employment and Unemployment by Age and Gender, Annual

	Men								Women								Total							
	Employed ('000)				Unemployed ('000)				Employed ('000)				Unemployed ('000)				Employed ('000)				Unemployed ('000)			
	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages
1998	132.1	525.8	316.7	994.0	31.5	50.8	24.2	107.4	126.6	460.5	266.9	864.4	23.1	35.2	13.9	72.5	258.8	986.3	583.6	1,858.4	54.6	86.0	38.2	179.9
1999	138.2	521.0	333.8	1,011.5	26.5	48.5	22.8	98.8	134.8	461.3	278.2	882.9	19.1	35.9	16.4	71.6	273.0	982.3	611.9	1,894.4	45.6	84.4	39.2	170.4
2000	141.0	522.6	350.4	1,031.3	25.7	37.1	20.6	83.8	138.2	458.2	295.8	900.0	18.5	31.2	15.0	64.8	279.2	980.8	646.2	1,931.3	44.2	68.3	35.6	148.6
2001	140.9	509.8	354.1	1,020.1	27.1	44.5	23.0	95.6	138.2	452.8	301.3	901.4	18.0	32.1	14.9	65.5	279.1	962.5	655.4	1,921.6	45.1	76.6	37.9	161.1
2002	147.8	503.2	365.8	1,037.7	30.2	45.8	26.9	104.1	145.8	452.5	318.1	927.3	22.0	37.4	18.4	78.5	293.6	955.8	683.9	1,965.0	52.2	83.2	45.3	182.6
2003	149.3	502.2	389.7	1,065.8	28.5	39.2	27.0	95.5	149.7	454.6	333.3	948.9	21.8	36.4	21.6	80.5	299.0	956.8	723.0	2,014.7	50.3	75.6	48.5	176.0
2004	153.8	508.2	403.8	1,091.2	25.9	34.4	24.1	85.4	154.0	463.7	342.6	971.5	21.9	30.5	20.8	73.7	307.8	971.9	746.4	2,062.7	47.8	64.9	44.8	159.2
2005	166.5	513.1	424.4	1,130.5	20.3	27.1	21.4	69.8	165.7	457.3	360.8	1,000.0	17.1	26.0	19.5	63.1	332.1	970.4	785.3	2,130.5	37.4	53.1	40.9	132.9
2006	172.7	520.1	439.8	1,160.9	17.5	21.2	16.0	56.2	176.9	465.8	376.8	1,034.5	13.9	22.3	16.1	53.4	349.6	985.9	816.6	2,195.5	31.4	43.5	32.0	109.6
2007	188.2	530.3	462.6	1,210.9	15.3	19.5	14.8	50.6	174.4	467.6	395.5	1,055.4	14.4	19.3	15.4	49.4	362.6	997.9	858.2	2,266.3	29.7	38.8	30.2	100.0
2007 Jan	170.9	520.2	453.8	1,176.5	18.2	21.3	13.8	54.7	162.1	469.5	387.0	1,036.9	16.0	18.5	21.7	57.3	333.0	989.7	840.8	2,213.4	34.1	39.8	35.6	112.0
Feb	173.8	522.4	454.7	1,182.4	16.1	20.0	15.6	54.3	167.1	467.8	383.9	1,038.8	12.9	17.6	18.3	48.8	341.0	990.2	838.6	2,221.2	29.0	37.6	33.9	103.1
Mar	175.3	524.3	457.8	1,184.6	13.4	17.4	16.3	49.2	169.6	478.4	395.0	1,061.2	11.7	16.3	13.4	41.4	344.9	1,002.7	852.8	2,245.8	25.1	33.7	29.8	90.5
Apr	176.4	527.4	455.1	1,183.1	14.3	20.3	19.4	55.7	158.1	470.9	396.5	1,042.8	14.5	19.5	17.2	51.7	334.5	998.2	851.6	2,225.9	28.7	39.8	36.6	107.4
May	189.6	530.2	466.3	1,212.6	15.6	16.7	14.4	47.5	177.9	475.0	394.0	1,061.9	16.1	23.4	16.6	56.6	367.5	1,005.3	860.2	2,274.6	31.7	40.1	31.1	104.1
Jun	198.4	539.2	465.9	1,227.0	17.5	19.9	15.4	53.1	182.2	467.2	399.5	1,068.0	14.8	17.5	11.9	44.7	380.6	1,006.5	865.5	2,294.9	32.3	37.4	27.3	97.7
Jul	213.4	534.7	459.3	1,234.6	20.0	21.9	13.6	55.7	186.8	459.2	388.2	1,053.0	17.7	14.7	17.0	49.5	400.2	993.9	847.5	2,287.6	37.7	36.6	30.6	105.2
Aug	211.7	531.2	463.0	1,236.3	13.8	19.0	12.9	45.8	193.1	448.5	395.8	1,054.9	13.1	30.8	18.7	62.6	404.8	979.8	858.8	2,291.3	26.8	49.9	31.6	108.4
Sep	186.3	535.6	469.7	1,223.9	13.8	15.3	11.3	40.5	169.8	455.0	406.7	1,048.4	17.3	25.7	10.9	54.5	358.1	990.6	876.4	2,272.4	31.1	41.0	22.2	95.0
Oct	186.9	532.8	469.9	1,224.7	14.7	19.2	14.7	50.2	171.6	465.8	404.4	1,059.2	11.6	19.1	12.6	43.8	358.5	998.6	874.3	2,283.9	26.3	38.3	27.3	94.1
Nov	188.1	534.1	468.5	1,226.1	11.4	19.8	14.9	46.7	178.2	474.7	399.8	1,071.8	16.0	15.4	14.1	45.9	366.2	1,008.8	868.3	2,297.8	27.4	35.2	29.0	92.6
Dec	185.7	531.2	467.7	1,219.0	14.3	23.1	15.5	53.9	176.9	479.7	395.4	1,068.3	11.5	12.5	12.0	36.4	362.6	1,010.9	863.1	2,287.3	25.8	35.6	27.5	90.2
2008 Jan	176.8	526.5	471.6	1,209.8	18.6	24.5	15.8	59.9	171.9	478.4	397.8	1,064.5	12.7	18.8	15.3	47.2	348.7	1,004.9	869.3	2,274.3	31.3	43.3	31.2	107.1
Feb	178.8	521.7	473.4	1,207.5	15.4	26.3	14.4	57.2	175.1	477.1	400.2	1,067.6	15.7	18.7	13.8	48.5	353.9	998.9	873.7	2,275.1	31.1	45.0	28.2	105.7
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Jan-Feb07	172.4	521.3	454.3	1,179.5	17.2	20.7	14.7	54.5	164.6	468.7	385.5	1,037.9	14.5	18.1	20.0	53.1	337.0	990.0	839.7	2,217.3	31.6	38.7	34.8	107.6
Jan-Feb08	177.8	524.1	472.5	1,208.7	17.0	25.4	15.1	58.6	173.5	477.8	399.0	1,066.1	14.2	18.8	14.6	47.9	351.3	1,001.9	871.5	2,274.7	31.2	44.2	29.7	106.4
% Change	3.2	0.5	4.0	2.5	-0.9	23.0	2.7	7.4	5.4	1.9	3.5	2.7	-1.7	3.9	-27.3	-9.8	4.2	1.2	3.8	2.6	-1.1	14.1	-14.5	-1.1

NOTE: due to relatively small sample sizes from which disaggregated data are derived, caution should be used in the interpretation of month-to-month changes in the estimates.

5b BC Participation Rates and Unemployment Rates by Age and Gender, Actual

	Men								Women								Total							
	Participation Rate (%)				Unemployment Rate (%)				Participation Rate (%)				Unemployment Rate (%)				Participation Rate (%)				Unemployment Rate (%)			
	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages
1998	62.3	91.5	76.9	71.1	19.3	8.8	7.1	9.8	59.5	78.1	63.5	58.9	15.4	7.1	5.0	7.7	60.9	84.8	70.2	64.9	17.4	8.0	6.1	8.8
1999	62.0	91.4	77.8	71.0	16.1	8.5	6.4	8.9	60.5	78.9	64.2	59.3	12.4	7.2	5.6	7.5	61.3	85.1	71.0	65.1	14.3	7.9	6.0	8.3
2000	61.9	90.8	78.3	70.5	15.4	6.6	5.6	7.5	60.9	78.2	65.3	59.3	11.8	6.4	4.8	6.7	61.4	84.4	71.8	64.8	13.7	6.5	5.2	7.1
2001	61.2	90.6	77.1	69.5	16.1	8.0	6.1	8.6	59.7	77.9	64.0	58.6	11.5	6.6	4.7	6.8	60.5	84.2	70.5	64.0	13.9	7.4	5.5	7.7
2002	63.8	90.6	77.6	70.3	17.0	8.3	6.9	9.1	62.9	79.4	65.6	60.1	13.1	7.6	5.5	7.8	63.4	84.9	71.5	65.1	15.1	8.0	6.2	8.5
2003	63.0	90.4	79.6	70.7	16.0	7.2	6.5	8.2	63.2	80.5	66.7	60.7	12.7	7.4	6.1	7.8	63.1	85.4	73.1	65.6	14.4	7.3	6.3	8.0
2004	62.8	91.2	79.1	70.6	14.4	6.3	5.6	7.3	63.9	81.5	65.9	60.7	12.5	6.2	5.7	7.1	63.3	86.3	72.4	65.5	13.4	6.3	5.7	7.2
2005	64.2	90.9	79.9	70.8	10.9	5.0	4.8	5.8	65.5	79.7	66.6	60.7	9.4	5.4	5.1	5.9	64.8	85.3	73.2	65.6	10.1	5.2	5.0	5.9
2006	64.6	90.6	79.1	70.4	9.2	3.9	3.5	4.6	67.7	80.2	66.6	61.0	7.3	4.6	4.1	4.9	66.1	85.4	72.8	65.7	8.2	4.2	3.8	4.8
2007	68.9	91.5	80.4	71.7	7.5	3.5	3.1	4.0	66.7	79.7	67.6	61.0	7.6	4.0	3.7	4.5	67.8	85.5	73.9	66.3	7.6	3.7	3.4	4.2
2007 Jan	64.1	90.4	79.8	70.6	9.6	3.9	3.0	4.4	63.0	80.1	68.2	60.8	9.0	3.8	5.3	5.2	63.6	85.2	73.9	65.6	9.3	3.9	4.1	4.8
Feb	64.4	90.5	80.1	70.8	8.5	3.7	3.3	4.4	63.7	79.6	66.9	60.4	7.2	3.6	4.5	4.5	64.0	85.0	73.4	65.5	7.8	3.7	3.9	4.4
Mar	64.0	90.3	80.6	70.5	7.1	3.2	3.4	4.0	64.1	81.1	67.8	61.2	6.5	3.3	3.3	3.8	64.0	85.7	74.1	65.8	6.8	3.3	3.4	3.9
Apr	64.6	91.3	80.4	70.7	7.5	3.7	4.1	4.5	61.0	80.4	68.5	60.6	8.4	4.0	4.2	4.7	62.8	85.8	74.4	65.6	7.9	3.8	4.1	4.6
May	69.6	91.1	81.3	71.9	7.6	3.1	3.0	3.8	68.5	81.7	67.8	61.9	8.3	4.7	4.0	5.1	69.1	86.4	74.4	66.8	7.9	3.8	3.5	4.4
Jun	73.2	93.1	81.2	72.9	8.1	3.6	3.2	4.1	69.6	79.4	67.8	61.5	7.5	3.6	2.9	4.0	71.4	86.2	74.4	67.1	7.8	3.6	3.1	4.1
Jul	79.1	92.6	79.5	73.3	8.6	3.9	2.9	4.3	72.2	77.6	66.6	60.8	8.7	3.1	4.2	4.5	75.7	85.1	73.0	67.0	8.6	3.6	3.5	4.4
Aug	76.4	91.5	79.8	72.8	6.1	3.5	2.7	3.6	72.8	78.5	67.9	61.5	6.4	6.4	4.5	5.6	74.6	84.9	73.8	67.1	6.2	4.8	3.5	4.5
Sep	68.4	91.5	80.4	71.6	6.8	2.8	2.3	3.2	65.9	78.6	68.2	60.6	9.2	5.3	2.6	4.9	67.2	85.0	74.3	66.0	8.0	4.0	2.5	4.0
Oct	68.1	91.6	80.8	72.1	7.3	3.5	3.0	3.9	64.5	79.2	68.0	60.5	6.3	3.9	3.0	4.0	66.3	85.4	74.3	66.2	6.8	3.7	3.0	4.0
Nov	67.4	91.8	80.4	71.8	5.7	3.6	3.1	3.7	68.2	80.0	67.3	61.2	8.2	3.1	3.4	4.1	67.8	85.9	73.8	66.4	7.0	3.4	3.2	3.9
Dec	67.5	91.8	80.2	71.7	7.2	4.2	3.2	4.2	66.2	80.3	66.1	60.4	6.1	2.5	2.9	3.3	66.9	86.0	73.1	66.0	6.6	3.4	3.1	3.8
2008 Jan	65.9	91.3	80.6	71.4	9.5	4.4	3.2	4.7	64.8	81.1	66.8	60.7	6.9	3.8	3.7	4.2	65.4	86.1	73.6	66.0	8.2	4.1	3.5	4.5
Feb	65.5	90.7	80.5	71.0	7.9	4.8	3.0	4.5	67.0	80.8	66.8	60.9	8.2	3.8	3.3	4.3	66.2	85.7	73.6	65.9	8.1	4.3	3.1	4.4
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Jan-Feb07	64.3	90.5	80.0	70.7	9.1	3.8	3.2	4.4	63.4	79.9	67.6	60.6	8.1	3.7	4.9	4.9	63.8	85.1	73.7	65.6	8.6	3.8	4.0	4.6
Jan-Feb08	65.7	91.0	80.6	71.2	8.7	4.6	3.1	4.6	65.9	81.0	66.8	60.8	7.6	3.8	3.5	4.3	65.8	85.9	73.6	66.0	8.2	4.2	3.3	4.5

NOTE: due to relatively small sample sizes from which disaggregated data are derived, caution should be used in the interpretation of month-to-month changes in the estimates.

5c BC Employment and Unemployment by Age and Gender, Seasonally Adjusted

	Men						Women						Total					
	Employed ('000)			Unemployed ('000)			Employed ('000)			Unemployed ('000)			Employed ('000)			Unemployed ('000)		
	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages
1998	132.1	861.9	994.0	31.5	76.0	107.4	126.6	737.8	864.4	23.1	49.4	72.5	258.8	1,599.6	1,858.4	54.6	125.3	179.9
1999	138.2	873.3	1,011.5	26.5	72.3	98.8	134.8	748.1	882.9	19.1	52.5	71.6	273.0	1,621.4	1,894.4	45.6	124.9	170.4
2000	141.0	890.3	1,031.3	25.7	58.1	83.8	138.2	761.7	900.0	18.5	46.3	64.8	279.2	1,652.1	1,931.3	44.2	104.4	148.6
2001	140.9	879.2	1,020.1	27.1	68.5	95.6	138.2	763.3	901.4	18.0	47.5	65.5	279.1	1,642.5	1,921.6	45.1	116.0	161.1
2002	147.8	889.9	1,037.7	30.2	74.0	104.1	145.8	781.5	927.3	22.0	56.5	78.5	293.6	1,671.4	1,965.0	52.2	130.4	182.6
2003	149.3	916.5	1,065.8	28.5	67.1	95.5	149.7	799.2	948.9	21.8	58.7	80.5	299.0	1,715.7	2,014.7	50.3	125.7	176.0
2004	153.8	937.4	1,091.2	25.9	59.5	85.4	154.0	817.5	971.5	21.9	51.8	73.7	307.8	1,754.9	2,062.7	47.8	111.3	159.2
2005	166.5	964.0	1,130.5	20.3	49.5	69.8	165.7	834.4	1,000.0	17.1	46.0	63.1	332.1	1,798.4	2,130.5	37.4	95.5	132.9
2006	172.7	988.2	1,160.9	17.5	38.8	56.2	176.9	857.6	1,034.5	13.9	39.5	53.4	349.6	1,845.8	2,195.5	31.4	78.2	109.6
2007	188.2	1,022.7	1,210.9	15.3	35.4	50.6	174.4	881.0	1,055.4	14.4	35.0	49.4	362.6	1,903.7	2,266.3	29.7	70.4	100.0
2007 Jan	183.0	1,021.7	1,204.7	16.8	30.1	46.9	170.0	877.0	1,047.1	16.2	37.3	53.5	353.1	1,898.7	2,251.8	33.0	67.4	100.3
Feb	183.4	1,018.4	1,201.8	15.5	30.9	46.4	172.4	876.8	1,049.3	14.2	34.1	48.3	355.9	1,895.2	2,251.1	29.7	65.0	94.7
Mar	184.7	1,015.4	1,200.1	14.3	33.6	47.9	174.8	887.8	1,062.6	14.1	30.5	44.6	359.4	1,903.2	2,262.7	28.4	64.1	92.4
Apr	183.7	1,016.3	1,200.0	15.3	40.1	55.4	167.3	879.8	1,047.1	13.7	37.4	51.1	351.0	1,896.1	2,247.1	29.0	77.5	106.5
May	187.7	1,018.4	1,206.1	13.9	33.7	47.5	175.4	880.2	1,055.6	12.7	40.8	53.5	363.1	1,898.6	2,261.7	26.5	74.5	101.1
Jun	189.8	1,017.5	1,207.3	17.2	39.1	56.3	174.1	879.4	1,053.6	14.1	34.1	48.3	363.9	1,896.9	2,260.9	31.3	73.3	104.6
Jul	191.7	1,017.0	1,208.7	14.5	39.2	53.6	173.6	876.7	1,050.3	12.2	32.0	44.3	365.3	1,893.7	2,259.0	26.7	71.2	97.9
Aug	191.0	1,019.9	1,210.9	13.6	32.6	46.2	179.6	876.6	1,056.2	11.4	36.7	48.1	370.5	1,896.6	2,267.1	25.0	69.3	94.3
Sep	192.8	1,025.2	1,218.0	15.1	33.8	48.9	174.7	877.4	1,052.1	17.4	37.4	54.9	367.4	1,902.6	2,270.0	32.5	71.2	103.7
Oct	189.1	1,031.3	1,220.4	16.2	39.3	55.5	174.2	880.9	1,055.2	13.4	35.0	48.4	363.3	1,912.2	2,275.5	29.6	74.3	103.9
Nov	191.3	1,036.2	1,227.4	13.8	36.4	50.2	179.1	892.3	1,071.4	18.7	31.5	50.2	370.3	1,928.5	2,298.8	32.5	67.8	100.4
Dec	189.4	1,038.8	1,228.1	16.4	38.4	54.7	177.1	887.6	1,064.8	15.1	30.8	45.8	366.5	1,926.4	2,292.9	31.4	69.2	100.6
2008 Jan	189.6	1,042.9	1,232.5	16.9	36.3	53.2	180.1	892.6	1,072.7	13.2	31.3	44.5	369.7	1,935.5	2,305.2	30.0	67.6	97.7
Feb	189.1	1,038.2	1,227.3	15.2	36.0	51.2	179.7	896.2	1,075.9	16.4	31.7	48.1	368.8	1,934.4	2,303.2	31.5	67.7	99.3
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Jan-Feb07	183.2	1,020.1	1,203.3	16.2	30.5	46.7	171.2	876.9	1,048.2	15.2	35.7	50.9	354.5	1,897.0	2,251.5	31.4	66.2	97.5
Jan-Feb08	189.4	1,040.6	1,229.9	16.1	36.2	52.2	179.9	894.4	1,074.3	14.8	31.5	46.3	369.3	1,935.0	2,304.2	30.8	67.7	98.5
% Change	3.4	2.0	2.2	-0.6	18.5	11.9	5.1	2.0	2.5	-2.6	-11.8	-9.0	4.2	2.0	2.3	-1.9	2.2	1.0

NOTE: due to relatively small sample sizes from which disaggregated data are derived, caution should be used in the interpretation of month-to-month changes in the estimates.

Produced by: **BC Stats**

Source: Statistics Canada

5d BC Participation, Unemployment and Employment Rates by Age and Gender, Seasonally Adjusted

	Men									Women									Total								
	Part Rate (%)			Unempl Rate (%)			Empl Rate (%)			Part Rate (%)			Unempl Rate (%)			Empl Rate (%)			Part Rate (%)			Unempl Rate (%)			Empl Rate (%)		
	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages
1998	62.3	72.9	71.1	19.3	8.1	9.8	50.3	67.0	64.2	59.5	58.8	58.9	15.4	6.3	7.7	50.3	55.1	54.4	60.9	65.7	64.9	17.4	7.3	8.8	50.3	60.9	59.2
1999	62.0	72.8	71.0	16.1	7.6	8.9	52.0	67.2	64.6	60.5	59.1	59.3	12.4	6.6	7.5	53.0	55.2	54.9	61.3	65.8	65.1	14.3	7.2	8.3	52.5	61.1	59.7
2000	61.9	72.2	70.5	15.4	6.1	7.5	52.3	67.8	65.2	60.9	58.9	59.3	11.8	5.7	6.7	53.7	55.6	55.3	61.4	65.4	64.8	13.7	5.9	7.1	53.0	61.6	60.2
2001	61.2	71.3	69.5	16.1	7.2	8.6	51.3	66.1	63.6	59.7	58.3	58.6	11.5	5.9	6.8	52.8	54.9	54.6	60.5	64.7	64.0	13.9	6.6	7.7	52.1	60.4	59.0
2002	63.8	71.6	70.3	17.0	7.7	9.1	53.0	66.1	63.9	62.9	59.5	60.1	13.1	6.7	7.8	54.7	55.5	55.4	63.4	65.4	65.1	15.1	7.2	8.5	53.8	60.7	59.6
2003	63.0	72.2	70.7	16.0	6.8	8.2	52.9	67.3	64.8	63.2	60.2	60.7	12.7	6.8	7.8	55.2	56.1	55.9	63.1	66.1	65.6	14.4	6.8	8.0	54.0	61.6	60.3
2004	62.8	72.2	70.6	14.4	6.0	7.3	53.7	67.9	65.5	63.9	60.0	60.7	12.5	6.0	7.1	56.0	56.5	56.4	63.3	66.0	65.5	13.4	6.0	7.2	54.8	62.0	60.9
2005	64.2	72.1	70.8	10.9	4.9	5.8	57.2	68.6	66.7	65.5	59.8	60.7	9.4	5.2	5.9	59.4	56.6	57.1	64.8	65.8	65.6	10.1	5.0	5.9	58.2	62.5	61.8
2006	64.6	71.6	70.4	9.2	3.8	4.6	58.7	68.9	67.2	67.7	59.8	61.0	7.3	4.4	4.9	62.8	57.1	58.0	66.1	65.6	65.7	8.2	4.1	4.8	60.7	62.9	62.5
2007	68.9	72.3	71.7	7.5	3.3	4.0	63.7	69.9	68.9	66.7	59.9	61.0	7.6	3.8	4.5	61.5	57.6	58.2	67.8	66.0	66.3	7.6	3.6	4.2	62.6	63.6	63.5
2007 Jan	67.8	72.5	71.7	8.4	2.9	3.7	62.1	70.5	69.0	65.9	60.3	61.2	8.7	4.1	4.9	60.1	57.8	58.2	66.8	66.3	66.4	8.5	3.4	4.3	61.1	64.0	63.5
Feb	67.4	72.3	71.5	7.8	2.9	3.7	62.2	70.2	68.8	66.0	60.0	61.0	7.6	3.7	4.4	61.0	57.8	58.3	66.7	66.0	66.1	7.7	3.3	4.0	61.6	63.8	63.5
Mar	67.4	72.2	71.4	7.2	3.2	3.8	62.6	69.8	68.6	66.8	60.4	61.4	7.5	3.3	4.0	61.8	58.4	58.9	67.1	66.2	66.3	7.3	3.3	3.9	62.2	64.0	63.7
Apr	67.4	72.5	71.7	7.7	3.8	4.4	62.3	69.8	68.5	64.0	60.2	60.8	7.6	4.1	4.7	59.1	57.8	58.0	65.8	66.2	66.2	7.6	3.9	4.5	60.7	63.6	63.2
May	68.3	72.1	71.5	6.9	3.2	3.8	63.6	69.8	68.8	66.5	60.4	61.4	6.8	4.4	4.8	62.0	57.7	58.4	67.4	66.1	66.3	6.8	3.8	4.3	62.8	63.6	63.5
Jun	70.1	72.3	71.9	8.3	3.7	4.5	64.3	69.6	68.7	66.5	59.8	60.9	7.5	3.7	4.4	61.5	57.6	58.2	68.4	65.9	66.3	7.9	3.7	4.4	62.9	63.5	63.4
Jul	69.9	72.1	71.7	7.0	3.7	4.2	64.9	69.5	68.7	65.6	59.4	60.4	6.6	3.5	4.0	61.3	57.3	57.9	67.8	65.6	66.0	6.8	3.6	4.2	63.2	63.2	63.2
Aug	69.3	71.7	71.3	6.6	3.1	3.7	64.7	69.5	68.7	67.4	59.6	60.8	6.0	4.0	4.4	63.4	57.2	58.2	68.3	65.5	66.0	6.3	3.5	4.0	64.0	63.2	63.4
Sep	70.3	72.0	71.8	7.3	3.2	3.9	65.2	69.7	69.0	67.7	59.6	60.8	9.1	4.1	5.0	61.6	57.1	57.8	69.0	65.7	66.2	8.1	3.6	4.4	63.4	63.3	63.3
Oct	69.4	72.7	72.1	7.9	3.7	4.3	63.9	70.0	69.0	66.0	59.5	60.6	7.1	3.8	4.4	61.3	57.3	57.9	67.7	66.0	66.3	7.5	3.7	4.4	62.6	63.5	63.4
Nov	69.2	72.7	72.1	6.7	3.4	3.9	64.6	70.2	69.3	69.5	59.9	61.4	9.5	3.4	4.5	63.0	57.9	58.7	69.4	66.2	66.7	8.1	3.4	4.2	63.8	63.9	63.9
Dec	69.4	72.9	72.3	8.0	3.6	4.3	63.9	70.3	69.2	67.5	59.5	60.7	7.9	3.4	4.1	62.2	57.5	58.2	68.5	66.0	66.4	7.9	3.5	4.2	63.1	63.8	63.6
2008 Jan	69.6	72.9	72.3	8.2	3.4	4.1	63.9	70.4	69.3	67.8	59.7	61.0	6.8	3.4	4.0	63.2	57.7	58.6	68.7	66.2	66.6	7.5	3.4	4.1	63.6	63.9	63.9
Feb	68.9	72.4	71.8	7.4	3.4	4.0	63.7	70.0	68.9	68.8	59.9	61.3	8.4	3.4	4.3	63.1	57.9	58.7	68.8	66.0	66.5	7.9	3.4	4.1	63.4	63.8	63.7
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Jan-Feb07	67.6	72.4	71.6	8.1	2.9	3.7	62.2	70.4	68.9	66.0	60.2	61.1	8.2	3.9	4.7	60.6	57.8	58.3	66.8	66.2	66.3	8.1	3.4	4.2	61.4	63.9	63.5
Jan-Feb08	69.3	72.7	72.1	7.8	3.4	4.1	63.8	70.2	69.1	68.3	59.8	61.2	7.6	3.4	4.2	63.2	57.8	58.7	68.8	66.1	66.6	7.7	3.4	4.1	63.5	63.9	63.8

NOTE: due to relatively small sample sizes from which disaggregated data are derived, caution should be used in the interpretation of month-to-month changes in the estimates.

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Source: Statistics Canada

6 BC Employment by Full-Time/Part-Time Status

	Men				Women				Total			
	Full-Time	Part-Time	Total	Part-time as % of Total	Full-Time	Part-Time	Total	Part-time as % of Total	Full-Time	Part-Time	Total	Part-time as % of Total
1998	870.1	123.9	994.0	12.5	590.2	274.2	864.4	31.7	1,460.3	398.0	1,858.4	21.4
1999	882.5	129.0	1,011.5	12.8	606.1	276.8	882.9	31.4	1,488.6	405.8	1,894.4	21.4
2000	914.1	117.2	1,031.3	11.4	619.2	280.8	900.0	31.2	1,533.3	398.0	1,931.3	20.6
2001	896.7	123.4	1,020.1	12.1	620.9	280.5	901.4	31.1	1,517.6	404.0	1,921.6	21.0
2002	891.8	145.9	1,037.7	14.1	624.6	302.8	927.3	32.7	1,516.4	448.7	1,965.0	22.8
2003	929.7	136.1	1,065.8	12.8	635.2	313.6	948.9	33.0	1,564.9	449.7	2,014.7	22.3
2004	960.1	131.0	1,091.2	12.0	670.7	300.9	971.5	31.0	1,630.8	431.9	2,062.7	20.9
2005	1,000.8	129.7	1,130.5	11.5	693.0	307.0	1,000.0	30.7	1,693.9	436.7	2,130.5	20.5
2006	1,022.3	138.6	1,160.9	11.9	727.8	306.7	1,034.5	29.6	1,750.2	445.3	2,195.5	20.3
2007	1,067.8	143.1	1,210.9	11.8	740.9	314.6	1,055.4	29.8	1,808.7	457.7	2,266.3	20.2
	seasonally adjusted											
2007 Jan	1,048.7	156.0	1,204.7	12.9	746.4	300.7	1,047.1	28.7	1,795.2	456.6	2,251.8	20.3
Feb	1,049.4	152.4	1,201.8	12.7	744.7	304.6	1,049.3	29.0	1,794.0	457.0	2,251.1	20.3
Mar	1,056.7	143.4	1,200.1	11.9	734.7	328.0	1,062.6	30.9	1,791.4	471.3	2,262.7	20.8
Apr	1,054.6	145.4	1,200.0	12.1	740.1	307.0	1,047.1	29.3	1,794.6	452.5	2,247.1	20.1
May	1,065.6	140.5	1,206.1	11.6	747.2	308.4	1,055.6	29.2	1,812.7	449.0	2,261.7	19.9
Jun	1,058.1	149.3	1,207.3	12.4	725.0	328.6	1,053.6	31.2	1,783.0	477.9	2,260.9	21.1
Jul	1,075.2	133.5	1,208.7	11.0	736.8	313.5	1,050.3	29.8	1,812.0	447.0	2,259.0	19.8
Aug	1,076.4	134.5	1,210.9	11.1	740.0	316.2	1,056.2	29.9	1,816.4	450.7	2,267.1	19.9
Sep	1,081.5	136.5	1,218.0	11.2	740.5	311.6	1,052.1	29.6	1,821.9	448.1	2,270.0	19.7
Oct	1,079.0	141.4	1,220.4	11.6	740.2	315.0	1,055.2	29.9	1,819.2	456.4	2,275.5	20.1
Nov	1,089.4	138.0	1,227.4	11.2	758.2	313.2	1,071.4	29.2	1,847.6	451.2	2,298.8	19.6
Dec	1,080.8	147.3	1,228.1	12.0	735.7	329.1	1,064.8	30.9	1,816.5	476.5	2,292.9	20.8
2008 Jan	1,087.2	145.3	1,232.5	11.8	745.9	326.7	1,072.7	30.5	1,833.1	472.1	2,305.2	20.5
Feb	1,083.6	143.7	1,227.3	11.7	751.4	324.5	1,075.9	30.2	1,835.0	468.2	2,303.2	20.3
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Jan-Feb07	1,049.1	154.2	1,203.3	12.8	745.6	302.7	1,048.2	28.9	1,794.6	456.8	2,251.5	20.3
Jan-Feb08	1,085.4	144.5	1,229.9	11.7	748.7	325.6	1,074.3	30.3	1,834.1	470.2	2,304.2	20.4
% Change	3.5	-6.3	2.2		0.4	7.6	2.5		2.2	2.9	2.3	

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Source: Statistics Canada

7a BC Employment by Industry

	All Industries		Total Goods Producing Industries		Agriculture		Other Primary		Utilities		Manufac-turing		Construc-tion	
	Emp. ('000)	% Chg	Emp. ('000)	% Chg	Emp. ('000)	% Chg	Emp. ('000)	% Chg	Emp. ('000)	% Chg	Emp. ('000)	% Chg	Emp. ('000)	% Chg
1998	1,858.4		408.5		33.0		51.3		11.1		195.9		117.2	
1999	1,894.4	1.9	393.8	-3.6	28.1	-14.8	48.5	-5.5	11.1	0.0	191.8	-2.1	114.3	-2.5
2000	1,931.3	1.9	406.3	3.2	29.7	5.7	52.7	8.7	10.3	-7.2	202.5	5.6	111.1	-2.8
2001	1,921.6	-0.5	382.3	-5.9	25.5	-14.1	40.7	-22.8	10.5	1.9	194.9	-3.8	110.7	-0.4
2002	1,965.0	2.3	392.2	2.6	29.0	13.7	37.6	-7.6	11	4.8	196.6	0.9	118.1	6.7
2003	2,014.7	2.5	416.4	6.2	32.9	13.4	45.5	21.0	11.3	2.7	206.8	5.2	119.8	1.4
2004	2,062.7	2.4	436.9	4.9	36.9	12.2	35.6	-21.8	9.2	-18.6	211.2	2.1	144.0	20.2
2005	2,130.5	3.3	452.7	3.6	38.7	4.9	37.5	5.3	10.3	12.0	198.2	-6.2	168.0	16.7
2006	2,195.5	3.1	463.9	2.5	34.7	-10.3	43.8	16.8	8.6	-16.5	197.5	-0.4	179.3	6.7
2007	2,266.3	3.2	495.7	6.9	36.2	4.3	47.3	8.0	10.3	19.8	205.1	3.8	196.9	9.8
	seasonally adjusted													
2007 Jan	2,251.8		494.7		35.2		50.8		7.9		207.0		193.7	
Feb	2,251.1	0.0	485.0	-2.0	35.5	0.9	47.4	-6.7	9.3	17.7	205.8	-0.6	187.0	-3.5
Mar	2,262.7	0.5	491.5	1.3	33.6	-5.4	45.4	-4.2	8.2	-11.8	212.7	3.4	191.5	2.4
Apr	2,247.1	-0.7	494.7	0.7	32.2	-4.2	48.4	6.6	8.7	6.1	211.2	-0.7	194.2	1.4
May	2,261.7	0.6	495.1	0.1	35.2	9.3	45.8	-5.4	8.2	-5.7	205.2	-2.8	200.8	3.4
Jun	2,260.9	0.0	496.8	0.3	35.1	-0.3	46.0	0.4	9.3	13.4	208.8	1.8	197.7	-1.5
Jul	2,259.0	-0.1	487.5	-1.9	36.0	2.6	46.3	0.7	11.8	26.9	205.2	-1.7	188.2	-4.8
Aug	2,267.1	0.4	491.2	0.8	34.4	-4.4	46.9	1.3	11.4	-3.4	201.3	-1.9	197.2	4.8
Sep	2,270.0	0.1	504.5	2.7	38.3	11.3	45.4	-3.2	10.6	-7.0	209.4	4.0	200.7	1.8
Oct	2,275.5	0.2	498.5	-1.2	40.7	6.3	47.1	3.7	12.7	19.8	203.4	-2.9	194.7	-3.0
Nov	2,298.8	1.0	508.2	1.9	39.8	-2.2	48.0	1.9	12.5	-1.6	201.2	-1.1	206.7	6.2
Dec	2,292.9	-0.3	503.5	-0.9	39.7	-0.3	50.6	5.4	13.2	5.6	190.2	-5.5	210.0	1.6
2008 Jan	2,305.2	0.5	509.3	1.2	43.2	8.8	47.8	-5.5	14.6	10.6	193.9	1.9	209.8	-0.1
Feb	2,303.2	-0.1	499.2	-2.0	38.4	-11.1	46.7	-2.3	14.4	-1.4	185.2	-4.5	214.5	2.2
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Average:														
Jan-Feb07	2,251.5		489.9		35.4		49.1		8.6		206.4		190.4	
Jan-Feb08	2,304.2		504.3		40.8		47.3		14.5		189.6		212.2	
% Change	2.3		2.9		15.4		-3.8		68.6		-8.2		11.5	

***NOTE**: Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over previous month.*

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7b BC Employment by Industry

	Service Producing Industries		Transport and Warehousing		Retail and Wholesale Trade		Finance & Related		Community and Personal Service								Public Administration	
									Profess., Scient. & Tech Services		Education		Health & Social Services		Accommod., Food & Bev.		Other Service	
	Emp. ('000)	% Chg	Emp. ('000)	% Chg	Emp. ('000)	% Chg	Emp. ('000)	% Chg	Emp. ('000)	% Chg	Emp. ('000)	% Chg	Emp. ('000)	% Chg	Emp. ('000)	% Chg	Emp. ('000)	% Chg	Emp. ('000)	% Chg
1998	1,449.9		105.6		289.7		122.3		122.8		118.3		197.4		146.8		253.2		93.8	
1999	1,500.5	3.5	115.9	9.8	304.8	5.2	121.0	-1.1	135.8	10.6	127.3	7.6	193.3	-2.1	149.1	1.6	260.8	3.0	92.5	-1.4
2000	1,525.0	1.6	116.9	0.9	300.8	-1.3	118.3	-2.2	135.8	0.0	136.6	7.3	201.2	4.1	154.5	3.6	268.4	2.9	92.4	-0.1
2001	1,539.3	0.9	112.4	-3.8	303.3	0.8	120.9	2.2	139.2	2.5	138.3	1.2	196.8	-2.2	163.7	6.0	275.1	2.5	89.5	-3.1
2002	1,572.8	2.2	112.9	0.4	324.9	7.1	123.3	2.0	136.1	-2.2	139.3	0.7	211.6	7.5	162.5	-0.7	274.1	-0.4	88.1	-1.6
2003	1,598.3	1.6	119.6	5.9	327.8	0.9	124.5	1.0	139.3	2.4	140.1	0.6	213.3	0.8	159.4	-1.9	281.2	2.6	93.0	5.6
2004	1,625.8	1.7	116.5	-2.6	315.8	-3.7	129.2	3.8	146.3	5.0	135.9	-3.0	219.2	2.8	175.3	10.0	290.4	3.3	97.2	4.5
2005	1,677.8	3.2	118.7	1.9	334.6	6.0	132.9	2.9	163.6	11.8	146.1	7.5	217.4	-0.8	175.8	0.3	293.6	1.1	95.1	-2.2
2006	1,731.6	3.2	119.5	0.7	353.7	5.7	138.0	3.8	167.6	2.4	156.0	6.8	232.2	6.8	170.5	-3.0	302.8	3.1	91.3	-4.0
2007	1,770.6	2.3	125.6	5.1	365.0	3.2	145.0	5.1	166.3	-0.8	156.1	0.1	239.7	3.2	172.7	1.3	304.3	0.5	95.9	5.0
	seasonally adjusted																			
2007 Jan	1,757.1		121.3		355.9		137.6		166.8		157.4		233.9		178.6		310.0		95.6	
Feb	1,766.1	0.5	131.0	8.0	359.4	1.0	139.9	1.7	168.9	1.3	158.8	0.9	243.2	4.0	172.3	-3.5	301.6	-2.7	91.2	-4.6
Mar	1,771.2	0.3	125.0	-4.6	357.1	-0.6	149.2	6.6	161.1	-4.6	161.8	1.9	248.5	2.2	173.0	0.4	303.1	0.5	92.5	1.4
Apr	1,752.4	-1.1	124.4	-0.5	352.8	-1.2	145.2	-2.7	163	1.2	157.6	-2.6	241.6	-2.8	167.6	-3.1	305.1	0.7	95.0	2.7
May	1,766.6	0.8	125.0	0.5	363.5	3.0	149.4	2.9	172.7	6.0	158.5	0.6	234.4	-3.0	169.6	1.2	300.6	-1.5	92.8	-2.3
Jun	1,764.0	-0.1	123.5	-1.2	367.5	1.1	148.0	-0.9	171.3	-0.8	151.8	-4.2	242.0	3.2	173.8	2.5	290.7	-3.3	95.4	2.8
Jul	1,771.5	0.4	124.7	1.0	374.8	2.0	150.0	1.4	175.9	2.7	142.8	-5.9	239.1	-1.2	169.8	-2.3	297.3	2.3	97.1	1.8
Aug	1,776.0	0.3	124.0	-0.6	377.0	0.6	149.2	-0.5	168.2	-4.4	143.9	0.8	235.3	-1.6	182.4	7.4	301.5	1.4	94.4	-2.8
Sep	1,765.6	-0.6	121.3	-2.2	365.1	-3.2	143.8	-3.6	162.7	-3.3	159.5	10.8	236.5	0.5	172.3	-5.5	307.2	1.9	97.4	3.2
Oct	1,777.1	0.7	123.8	2.1	372.7	2.1	142.6	-0.8	161.8	-0.6	158.3	-0.8	243.7	3.0	171.4	-0.5	305.3	-0.6	97.3	-0.1
Nov	1,790.6	0.8	129.1	4.3	369.5	-0.9	142.7	0.1	163.2	0.9	159.6	0.8	241.9	-0.7	171.6	0.1	314.1	2.9	98.9	1.6
Dec	1,789.4	-0.1	136.0	5.3	365.7	-1.0	141.9	-0.6	160.1	-1.9	159.4	-0.1	235.9	-2.5	169.2	-1.4	317.7	1.1	103.5	4.7
2008 Jan	1,795.9	0.4	129.1	-5.1	355.9	-2.7	145.1	2.3	171.2	6.9	166.7	4.6	246.3	4.4	168.1	-0.7	318.4	0.2	95.1	-8.1
Feb	1,804.0	0.5	128.4	-0.5	359.9	1.1	147.9	1.9	175	2.2	156.7	-6.0	240.9	-2.2	176.8	5.2	316.5	-0.6	101.8	7.0
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Jan-Feb07	1,761.6		126.2		357.7		138.8		167.9		158.1		238.6		175.5		305.8		93.4	
Jan-Feb08	1,800.0		128.8		357.9		146.5		173.1		161.7		243.6		172.5		317.5		98.5	
% Change	2.2		2.1		0.1		5.6		3.1		2.3		2.1		-1.7		3.8		5.4	

***NOTE**: Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over previous month.*

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8 BC Employment and Unemployment Rate by Occupation, Actual

	Management		Business Finance & Admin.		Natural & Applied Sciences		Health		Social Sci. Education Govt Service & Religion		Art Culture Recreation & Sport		Sales & Service		Trades Transport & Equipment Operators		Occupations Unique to Primary		Occupations Unique to Processing, Mfg & Utilities		All Occupations	
	Emp. ('000)	Unemp %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %
1998	192.8	2.6	340.5	3.2	108.3	4.4	100.0	1.5	138.6	4.1	57.6	5.4	478.9	6.5	288.8	9.3	68.8	16.1	84.1	8.5	1,858.4	8.8
1999	195.6	2.4	344.7	3.4	124.1	3.4	97.7	1.7	143.1	2.7	66.6	4.0	485.5	6.8	287.6	8.1	64.1	14.6	85.3	6.8	1,894.4	8.3
2000	200.3	1.8	336.0	3.2	124.0	2.4	104.5	0.6	151.3	3.1	61.5	4.8	501.0	5.5	286.3	7.6	70.4	13.5	95.9	6.1	1,931.3	7.1
2001	171.6	2.6	340.2	4.1	118.5	4.7	102.3	1.8	149.0	3.2	59.8	5.7	537.4	5.5	285.9	7.7	61.4	13.5	95.6	8.8	1,921.6	7.7
2002	173.7	2.8	333.5	4.2	118.0	5.1	113.7	2.0	161.7	2.9	64.8	6.5	557.6	6.0	284.9	7.9	60.9	14.9	96.3	8.9	1,965.0	8.5
2003	182.1	1.9	351.5	4.1	126.6	6.1	117.2	1.8	162.5	3.2	67.0	6.6	540.4	6.2	297.3	7.1	72.9	12.5	97.3	6.8	2,014.7	8.0
2004	192.9	2.6	353.1	3.8	120.6	5.0	119.1	1.6	155.6	3.9	73.3	5.2	556.2	5.9	319.5	5.9	69.6	10.9	102.8	7.0	2,062.7	7.2
2005	193.0	2.3	383.0	2.9	136.1	3.0	118.6	1.2	172.4	2.5	71.3	4.8	558.0	4.7	330.8	4.5	71.3	9.5	96.1	6.1	2,130.5	5.9
2006	207.9	1.8	371.0	2.5	152.3	2.3	131.8	1.4	175.0	2.8	74.8	3.6	563.2	3.8	349.6	4.0	73.7	8.4	96.1	4.0	2,195.5	4.8
2007	207.3	1.1	391.8	2.3	144.9	2.3	128.2	0.6	183.7	2.2	74.9	2.6	591.8	3.7	369.2	3.2	75.0	7.4	99.5	5.7	2,266.3	4.2
2007 Jan	213.9	1.4	366.8	2.3	156.4	3.2	132.8	1.8	182.2	2.0	72.0	3.4	561.1	4.8	362.2	2.8	72.3	11.5	93.7	5.8	2,213.4	4.8
Feb	218.5	1.4	371.9	2.4	151.9	1.8	137.4	0.5	184.8	1.6	77.2	1.9	571.2	3.6	346.8	3.5	69.4	13.4	92.1	6.5	2,221.2	4.4
Mar	209.4	0.8	388.7	1.5	142.7	2.5	133.0	0.4	197.5	0.8	66.1	0.0	586.6	3.3	356.0	3.9	65.7	10.1	100.2	5.2	2,245.8	3.9
Apr	204.4	1.9	399.1	2.2	137.0	2.4	132.6	0.0	189.3	1.5	77.9	2.1	561.6	4.5	352.9	3.9	67.5	13.2	103.7	4.0	2,225.9	4.6
May	202.5	1.1	394.3	3.0	143.0	3.1	124.8	0.6	189.7	1.7	72.7	3.5	592.4	3.3	374.4	3.5	77.4	6.3	103.4	6.3	2,274.6	4.4
Jun	199.8	0.9	391.9	2.3	137.4	1.6	132.4	0.2	189.8	1.8	70.3	1.8	614.5	3.7	374.9	3.1	81.3	4.9	102.6	7.7	2,294.9	4.1
Jul	191.1	0.5	394.5	2.4	150.8	3.0	131.6	0.5	159.0	4.3	72.6	1.6	616.2	3.9	379.5	3.7	79.6	4.3	112.7	5.6	2,287.6	4.4
Aug	213.2	1.0	387.3	2.9	144.3	2.2	127.7	0.8	160.6	7.2	69.5	5.1	619.6	3.9	379.3	3.0	81.9	2.2	107.9	3.9	2,291.3	4.5
Sep	204.5	1.1	400.3	2.5	139.6	1.7	117.4	0.9	183.9	1.8	75.5	4.3	595.5	3.6	375.7	2.5	79.9	3.7	100.2	4.6	2,272.4	4.0
Oct	208.3	1.2	393.9	2.5	139.6	1.0	119.2	0.6	185.3	1.2	82.5	3.8	597.2	3.5	378.1	2.5	83.6	4.8	96.1	4.8	2,283.9	4.0
Nov	213.1	0.5	402.4	2.0	145.5	2.1	126.1	0.6	189.4	2.4	82.1	1.6	594.9	3.7	381.3	2.7	70.9	7.7	92.2	7.0	2,297.8	3.9
Dec	209.5	0.6	410.1	1.8	150.4	2.7	123.3	0.9	193.2	1.4	80.8	1.7	590.8	2.9	369.6	4.0	70.0	8.1	89.6	6.3	2,287.3	3.8
2008 Jan	202.8	1.0	410.4	1.9	157.6	2.7	131.2	2.5	202.9	1.1	76.8	1.9	570.4	4.0	366.4	4.7	72.7	11.6	83.0	8.4	2,274.3	4.5
Feb	210.2	0.8	405.1	2.7	162.1	2.4	134.8	0.9	200.8	0.9	83.5	1.4	572.0	3.7	365.9	4.2	59.0	11.5	81.8	7.0	2,275.1	4.4
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Average:																						
Jan-Feb07	216.2	1.4	369.4	2.4	154.2	2.5	135.1	1.1	183.5	1.8	74.6	2.6	566.2	4.2	354.5	3.2	70.9	12.4	92.9	6.2	2,217.3	4.6
Jan-Feb08	206.5	0.9	407.8	2.3	159.9	2.5	133.0	1.7	201.9	1.0	80.2	1.7	571.2	3.9	366.2	4.5	65.9	11.6	82.4	7.7	2,274.7	4.5
% Change	-4.5		10.4		3.7		-1.6		10.0		7.4		0.9		3.3		-7.1		-11.3		2.6	

NOTES: *1. Occupation specific Unemployment Rates include only those unemployed who worked in the past year. The "All Occupations" rate incorporates total unemployed persons which includes an "Occupation Unclassified" category.*

2. Due to the relatively small sample sizes from which disaggregated data are derived, caution should be used in the interpretation of month-to-month changes in the estimates.

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9 BC Employment and Unemployment Rate by Region and Metropolitan Area

	British Columbia		Vancouver		Victoria		Abbotsford		Development Regions: Vancouver Island/ Coast		Mainland/ Southwest		Thompson-Okanagan		Kootenay		Cariboo		North Coast & Nechako		Northeast	
	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %
1998	1,858.4	8.8	970.8	8.0	147.2	8.7	66.9	10.1	315.5	9.7	1103.9	8.1	207.4	8.2	70.0	12.0	82.7	14.5	47.3	9.7	31.6	NA
1999	1,894.4	8.3	996.0	7.7	155.3	6.6	66.9	7.6	330.0	7.9	1130.1	7.7	206.1	9.6	69.4	9.3	81.4	11.6	46.7	8.8	30.7	8.9
2000	1,931.3	7.1	1,032.1	5.8	155.3	6.7	68.3	7.5	327.4	7.8	1164.6	6.1	210.3	9.3	70.8	10.0	79.1	9.9	47.3	10.2	31.8	5.9
2001	1,921.6	7.7	1,039.1	6.6	150.8	6.3	71.4	6.7	307.3	9.2	1175.0	6.7	210.2	9.3	70.4	9.7	79.4	9.7	46.6	11.2	32.5	6.1
2002	1,965.0	8.5	1,072.1	7.7	155.7	7.0	75.2	7.5	317.4	8.7	1216.7	7.7	208.1	9.4	66.6	10.0	78.0	12.7	44.9	12.6	33.2	9.0
2003	2,014.7	8.0	1,103.5	7.3	158.7	6.2	74.9	7.5	319.1	8.6	1251.4	7.3	218.8	8.8	67.4	11.5	78.2	11.1	44.8	11.3	34.9	6.4
2004	2,062.7	7.2	1,127.5	6.7	162.0	5.3	78.5	6.4	334.2	7.9	1,275.3	6.7	229.7	6.6	67.1	9.2	80.7	9.1	42.4	11.6	33.3	5.4
2005	2,130.5	5.9	1,155.7	5.7	169.3	4.5	78.3	5.5	350.0	6.3	1,307.3	5.7	244.0	5.3	69.2	6.1	80.1	7.4	45.7	8.1	34.3	4.7
2006	2,195.5	4.8	1,187.1	4.4	175.2	3.7	82.3	4.5	369.5	4.9	1,342.7	4.4	253.7	5.1	69.5	6.2	82.9	6.1	43.1	6.7	34.0	NA
2007	2,266.3	4.2	1,222.7	4.0	182.9	3.3	84.8	4.3	378.3	4.3	1,392.2	4.0	256.7	4.4	77.1	5.5	83.8	5.1	41.5	8.0	36.7	NA
	3- month moving average, actual, ending in:																					
2007 Jan	2,214.1	4.6	1,194.3	4.3	177.2	3.1	84.5	4.3	372.3	4.8	1,354.5	4.3	252.7	5.0	73.9	7.2	82.4	5.8	42.6	6.0	35.6	0.0
Feb	2,218.1	4.6	1,202.5	4.1	175.1	2.9	83.5	4.7	369.6	5.3	1,363.1	4.2	251.7	5.0	74.1	6.8	81.8	5.3	41.7	7.1	36.0	0.0
Mar	2,226.8	4.4	1,211.0	3.7	174.4	3.1	82.8	4.8	367.7	5.4	1,372.6	3.8	252.9	5.0	75.9	5.9	80.9	5.2	41.1	8.3	35.8	0.0
Apr	2,231.0	4.3	1,211.4	3.7	176.4	3.1	82.8	4.8	368.4	5.3	1,375.1	3.8	254.8	4.5	76.5	5.7	79.7	5.2	40.4	8.6	36.1	0.0
May	2,248.8	4.3	1,212.8	4.0	180.2	3.2	84.4	4.6	373.4	4.8	1,379.8	4.1	259.5	4.1	79.2	4.2	80.2	4.5	40.3	8.4	36.4	0.0
Jun	2,265.1	4.4	1,216.1	4.4	184.9	3.1	85.6	4.3	380.3	3.9	1,385.9	4.4	260.1	4.3	79.4	4.6	80.8	4.6	41.1	7.6	37.4	0.0
Jul	2,285.7	4.3	1,231.2	4.3	186.5	3.4	86.8	4.1	383.1	3.9	1,404.2	4.2	259.7	4.6	77.3	4.7	82.0	4.8	41.7	7.7	37.8	0.0
Aug	2,291.3	4.3	1,235.3	4.2	185.7	4.1	86.5	4.4	383.6	4.0	1,409.2	4.2	257.0	4.7	78.6	5.8	83.0	5.7	42.4	7.4	37.5	0.0
Sep	2,283.7	4.3	1,227.0	4.2	184.9	4.3	85.6	4.6	384.7	4.3	1,400.7	4.2	256.6	4.1	78.5	5.6	84.4	5.4	42.6	7.0	36.3	0.0
Oct	2,282.5	4.2	1,218.7	4.2	186.7	3.7	84.4	4.5	386.5	3.9	1,390.9	4.2	260.4	3.7	79.5	5.8	86.6	4.7	42.3	7.3	36.3	0.0
Nov	2,284.7	3.9	1,224.7	3.9	187.9	2.8	84.0	3.7	384.5	3.4	1,396.1	3.9	261.1	3.8	76.4	5.7	88.0	4.2	41.8	8.1	36.9	0.0
Dec	2,289.7	3.9	1,236.9	3.7	187.5	2.6	85.1	3.4	380.6	3.4	1,409.7	3.6	257.2	4.2	74.5	5.9	89.2	5.0	41.2	9.1	37.2	0.0
2008 Jan	2,286.5	4.1	1,245.2	3.7	186.2	3.0	84.9	3.6	375.8	4.5	1,417.7	3.6	253.9	4.8	73.1	4.8	88.0	5.2	41.5	8.2	36.5	0.0
Feb	2,278.9	4.2	1,239.5	3.7	185.0	3.3	83.8	4.9	378.0	5.0	1,411.1	3.7	253.6	5.3	71.8	4.4	86.5	5.8	42.1	7.3	35.8	0.0
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Average:	year-to-date averages are based on monthy actual data																					
Jan-Feb07	2,217.3	4.6	1,205.2	4.1	173.5	3.2	83.0	4.7	368.2	5.4	1,366.2	4.1	249.2	5.4	74.9	6.9	81.3	5.5	41.6	7.7	36.0	NA
Jan-Feb08	2,274.7	4.5	1,237.2	3.9	184.2	3.6	82.7	5.8	377.3	5.6	1,407.0	3.9	255.7	5.7	71.5	4.1	85.1	5.8	42.5	6.9	35.8	3.7
% Change	2.6		2.7		6.2		-0.4		2.5		3.0		2.6		-4.6		4.6		2.0		-0.7	

NOTE: Geographic boundaries changed on January 1, 2005.

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Source: Statistics Canada

10 BC Employment by Class of Worker

	Total Employment		Employees						Self-Employed	
			Total		Public		Private			
	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg
1998	1,858.4		1,474.6		333.7		1,140.8		383.8	
1999	1,894.4	1.9	1,512.9	2.6	345.9	3.7	1,167.1	2.3	381.4	-0.6
2000	1,931.3	1.9	1,574.7	4.1	358.9	3.8	1,215.9	4.2	356.6	-6.5
2001	1,921.6	-0.5	1,570.1	-0.3	350.8	-2.3	1,219.3	0.3	351.4	-1.5
2002	1,965.0	2.3	1,601.7	2.0	353.6	0.8	1,248.1	2.4	363.3	3.4
2003	2,014.7	2.5	1,638.4	2.3	360.5	2.0	1,277.9	2.4	376.3	3.6
2004	2,062.7	2.4	1,671.3	2.0	366.6	1.7	1,304.7	2.1	391.4	4.0
2005	2,130.5	3.3	1,714.8	2.6	369.8	0.9	1,345.0	3.1	415.8	6.2
2006	2,195.5	3.1	1,781.8	3.9	391.2	5.8	1,390.6	3.4	413.7	-0.5
2007	2,266.3	3.2	1,841.0	3.3	401.6	2.7	1,439.4	3.5	425.3	2.8
	seasonally adjusted									
2007 Jan	2,251.8		1,823.9		402.2		1,421.7		427.9	
Feb	2,251.1	0.0	1,827.3	0.2	403.4	0.3	1,423.9	0.2	423.8	-1.0
Mar	2,262.7	0.5	1,835.3	0.4	406.6	0.8	1,428.7	0.3	427.4	0.8
Apr	2,247.1	-0.7	1,823.2	-0.7	402.4	-1.0	1,420.9	-0.5	423.8	-0.8
May	2,261.7	0.6	1,829.5	0.3	400.0	-0.6	1,429.5	0.6	432.2	2.0
Jun	2,260.9	0.0	1,829.0	0.0	393.0	-1.8	1,436.1	0.5	431.9	-0.1
Jul	2,259.0	-0.1	1,830.4	0.1	390.7	-0.6	1,439.7	0.3	428.6	-0.8
Aug	2,267.1	0.4	1,834.5	0.2	395.4	1.2	1,439.0	0.0	432.6	0.9
Sep	2,270.0	0.1	1,849.9	0.8	402.9	1.9	1,447.0	0.6	420.1	-2.9
Oct	2,275.5	0.2	1,857.4	0.4	409.4	1.6	1,448.0	0.1	418.2	-0.5
Nov	2,298.8	1.0	1,875.8	1.0	401.7	-1.9	1,474.2	1.8	423.0	1.1
Dec	2,292.9	-0.3	1,878.8	0.2	411.0	2.3	1,467.8	-0.4	414.1	-2.1
2008 Jan	2,305.2	0.5	1,893.3	0.8	417.4	1.6	1,475.9	0.6	411.9	-0.5
Feb	2,303.2	-0.1	1,899.9	0.3	416.4	-0.2	1,483.5	0.5	403.3	-2.1
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Average:										
Jan-Feb07	2,251.5		1,825.6		402.8		1,422.8		425.9	
Jan-Feb08	2,304.2		1,896.6		416.9		1,479.7		407.6	
% Change	2.3		3.9		3.5		4.0		-4.3	

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Source: Statistics Canada

Labour Force Statistics

This report is based on statistics from the Labour Force Survey produced monthly by Statistics Canada. Questions and comments should be directed to Data Services at (250)387-0327 or write to BC.Stats@gov.bc.ca

Definitions and Explanatory Notes

Reference Week

Monthly estimates of employment, unemployment, and persons not in the labour force refer to the specific week covered by the survey each month, normally the week containing the 15th day.

Labour Force

The labour force is composed of those members of the civilian non-institutional population 15 years of age and over who, during the reference week, were employed or unemployed.

Employed

Employed persons are those who, during the reference week, either: (a) did any work at all, or (b) had a job but were not at work due to own illness or disability, personal or family responsibilities, bad weather, labour dispute, vacation, or other reason not specified above (excluding persons whose job attachment was to a job to start at a definite date in the future).

Unemployment

Unemployed persons are those who, during the reference week, either: (a) were without work, had actively looked for work in the past four weeks (ending with the reference week), and were available for work; or (b) had not actively looked for work in the past four weeks but had been on layoff and were available for work; or (c) had not actively looked for work in the past four weeks but had a new job to start in four weeks or less from the reference week, and were available for work.

Unemployment Rate

The unemployment rate represents the number of unemployed persons expressed as a percentage of the labour force. The unemployment rate for a particular group (age, sex, marital status, etc.) is the number of unemployed in that group expressed as a percentage of the labour force for that group.

Participation Rate

The participation rate represents the labour force expressed as a percentage of the population 15 years of age and over. The participation rate for a particular group (age, sex, marital status, etc.) is the labour force for that group expressed as a percentage of the population for that group.

Employment Rate

The employment rate(employment/population ratio) is the number of employed persons expressed as a percentage of the population 15 years of age and over. The employment rate for a particular group (age, sex, marital status, etc.) is the employment for that group expressed as a percentage of the population for that group.

Rounding

Estimates published by the Labour Force Survey are rounded to the nearest thousand but all derived values (totals, averages, rates, ratios, percent changes etc.) are calculated from unrounded figures. Therefore, the sum of the individual rounded items may not equal the total. Unadjusted estimates rounded to hundreds are available from BC Stats on request.

Seasonal Adjustment

Fluctuations in economic time series are caused by seasonal, cyclical and irregular movements. A seasonally adjusted series is one from which seasonal movements have been eliminated. Seasonal movements are defined as those which are caused by regular annual events such as climate, holidays, vacation periods, and cycles related to crops, production and retail sales associated with Christmas and Easter. It should be noted that the seasonally adjusted series contain irregular as well as longer-term cyclical fluctuations.

Source: Extracted from Statistics Canada, Labour Force Survey, Definitions and Explanations